

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, please replace the first full paragraph with the following:

The present invention generally relates to an apparatus having a frame with wheels and a plurality of discs attached to the frame and a method for using the same. More specifically, the present invention relates to an apparatus having dual hydraulic cylinders such that the frame may adjust during use of the apparatus. Moreover, the present invention provides an apparatus and a method that provides lubrication to bearings and/or ~~tires~~ wheels of the apparatus. Further, the apparatus of the present invention may be attached to a tractor by a single individual.

On page 2, please replace the third full paragraph with the following:

A need, therefore, exists for a method and an apparatus that adjusts to accommodate uneven terrain, connects to a tractor by a single individual and maintains the bearings and/or ~~tires~~ wheels in a lubricated state.

On page 2, please replace the forth full paragraph with the following:

The present invention provides an apparatus having an assembly such that the bearings and ~~tires~~ wheels may remain lubricated and the frame may adjust vertically during use thereof. Further, the apparatus of the present invention may be attached to a tractor by

a single individual. Further, a method for using the apparatus of the present invention is provided.

On page 6, please replace the sixth full paragraph with the following:

Figure 5 illustrates a ~~tire~~ wheel of the hydraulic disc/harrow apparatus in an embodiment of the present invention.

On page 6, please replace the seventh full paragraph with the following:

The present invention generally provides an apparatus and a method having dual hydraulic cylinders that may allow a frame of the apparatus to be remotely adjusted during use. Further, the apparatus may have bearings and ~~tires~~ wheels that may remain lubricated. Further, the present invention provides an apparatus and a method for attaching the apparatus to a tractor, for example, by an individual.

On page 6, please replace the last paragraph with the following:

Referring now to the drawings wherein like numerals refer to like parts, Figure 1 illustrates an apparatus 100 in an embodiment of the present invention. The apparatus 100 may have a frame 2 having a first bar 4 and a second bar 6. Arms 45, 46, 47 may extend outward and downward from the first bar 4 of the frame 2. The arms 45, 46, 47 may attach to a base bar 48 of a hitch 50. The hitch 50 may have a length defined by the base bar 48 and a

connector 52.

On page 7, please replace the second full paragraph with the following:

The first bar 4 and the second bar 6 may have legs 36 depending from the first bar 4 and the second bar 6. The legs 36 depending from the first bar 4 support a first disc ~~axis~~ axle 38. The legs 36 depending from the second bar 6 support a second disc ~~axis~~ axle 40. The first disc ~~axis~~ axle 38 and the second disc ~~axis~~ axle 40 support a plurality of discs 32.

On page 7, please replace the last paragraph with the following:

Accordingly, in a preferred embodiment, the legs 36 depending from the first bar 4 are not parallel to the legs 36 depending from the second bar 6. Therefore, the first disc ~~axis~~ axle 38 is not parallel to the second disc ~~axis~~ axle 40. Thus, the discs 32 attached to the first disc ~~axis~~ axle 38 are not parallel to the disc attached to the second disc ~~axis~~ axle 40. The discs 32 attached to the first disc ~~axis~~ axle 38 form an angle with the discs 32 attached to the second disc ~~axis~~ axle 40.

On page 8, please replace the second full paragraph with the following:

An upper frame ~~10~~ 16 may be mounted on the second cross member 10 and the third cross member 12 such that the upper frame ~~10~~ 16 may be substantially centered on the frame 2. Referring now to Figure 2, the upper frame 16 may have pillars 18 attached by a bar

22. As illustrated, the pillars 18 have substantially square cross-sections, however, other shapes may be implemented, such as a rectangular cross-section, circular cross-section or an oval-shaped cross-section or the like. The pillars 18 may be secured substantially perpendicular to the second cross member 10 and the third cross member 12.

On page 8, please replace the last paragraph with the following:

The pillars 18 may each have a base 24 attached to the upper frame 16. Further, the pillars 18 may each house an inner column 20. The inner column 20 may extend downward, through the upper frame 16 and the frame 2, to a wheel ~~axis~~ axle 28. A liner 19, preferably plastic, may cover a length of the inside of each of the pillars 18 (as shown in Figure 2A). The liner 19 preferably has a one-half inch thickness. The liner 19 may be constructed from, for example, four plastic pieces 15 that substantially or at least partially cover each interior side 17 of the pillars 18. In the preferred embodiment, the plastic pieces 15 may be retained at the top and bottom of the pillars 18 by a top plate 21 and a bottom plate 23, respectively (as shown in Figure 2B).

On page 9, please replace the first full paragraph with the following:

A cylinder 34 may be attached to the center of the bar 22 and to the wheel ~~axis~~ axle 28. Preferably, the cylinder 34 is mounted vertically with respect to the frame 2 and the wheel ~~axis~~ axle 28.

A piston 37 may be attached by end plates 26 to the inside of the cylinder 34. The piston 37 may raise and/or lower the frame 2 as well as the upper frame 16 relative to the wheel ~~axis~~ axle 28. The pillars 18 of the upper frame 16 may move relative to the inner columns 20. The liner 19 inside the pillars 18 may provide a smoother surface and thus less friction for the inner columns 20 to move relative to the pillars 18 when the piston 37 raises and lowers the frame 2 as well as the upper frame 16.

On page 9, please replace the last paragraph with the following:

Referring now to Figure 3, a front cylinder 60 may be provided with a hydraulic piston 62 on one of the arms 45, 46, 47. The front cylinder 60 and the hydraulic piston 62 may be controlled remotely by the controller 64 (as generally shown and described with reference to Figure 1), or alternatively, may be set to automatically adjust. Setting the hydraulic piston 62 to automatically adjust may allow the hydraulic piston 62 to "float" thereby acting much like a shock absorber and responding directly to the changes in terrain without control of the depth and/or angle of penetration of the discs 32 by an operator via the controller 64 of the apparatus 100.

On page 10, please replace the last paragraph with the following:

Referring again to Figures 1 and 2, ~~tires~~ a wheel 30 may be attached to the wheel ~~axis~~ axle 28 on either end of the wheel ~~axis~~

axle 28. The ~~tires~~ wheel 30 may support the frame 2, the upper frame 16 and the discs 32. As shown in Figure 5, the ~~tires~~ wheel 30 may be maintained in an oil bath. The oil bath may provide constant lubrication. Lubrication of the ~~tires~~ wheel 30 may be provided directly by removing a screw plug 54 (shown in the "six o'clock" position in Figure 5) on each of the ~~tires~~ wheel 30 and filling a receptacle with oil until, preferably, the receptacle is half full. To this end, the wheel ~~tire~~ 30 should be rotated such that the screw plug 54 is in the "nine o'clock" position or the "three o'clock" position. The oil may be added by removing the screw plug 54 and adding oil through the opening provided by removal of the screw plug 54. The opening provided access to a receptacle within the ~~tire~~ wheel 30 providing an oil bath, i.e. constant, maintenance free lubrication for each of the ~~tires~~ wheel 30. Accordingly, the oil bath provides for low maintenance lubrication of the ~~tires~~ wheel 30 as the tires may remain constantly lubricated or lubricated at least for longer periods of time. Such lubrication saves time, as an operator may stop less frequently to adjust and/or maintain the apparatus 100.

On page 11, please replace the first full paragraph with the following:

Similar to the ~~tires~~ wheel 30, a bearing assembly may provide bearings (not shown) with an oil bath (not shown) which may provide constant lubrication to the bearings. The bearing assembly (not shown) may be positioned between the frame 2 and the discs 32 to

permit the discs 32 to rotate at the same time they penetrate soil and turn over the soil.